

KOSTA BROWNE APPELLATION SERIES

2019 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir

A Heartland of Californian Pinot Noir

VINEYARD DETAILS

Vineyards	Bootlegger's Hill, Giusti Ranch, Keefer Ranch, Silver Eagle, Treehouse, Klopp-Laguna, Moonshine, Winner's Circle, Zio Tony
Clones	115, 23, Pommard, Calera, 777, CC, Elite, 667, 828, 459
Trellising	VSP
Soil	Goldridge

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Fermentation	86% stainless steel / 14% wood
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Aging	45% new French oak for 16 months / 10% wood cask for 12 months / 4% new Austrian oak for 14 months / 1% concrete for 12 months
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Alcohol	14.1%
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pH	3.69
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TA	5.58 g/L
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TASTING NOTES

Nose: Expressive red apple, raspberry, and pomegranate aromas excite alongside soft notes of lavender and spice.

Mouth: Lively texture, with a medium body and refined finish. Pristine.

FACTS OF NOTE

VINEYARD

**Predominant
vineyard source:
22% Bootlegger's
Hill**

FERMENTATION

6% whole cluster

VESSEL

**New Rousseau
wood fermenters
were used**

Celebrating the cool-climate character and complexity of California's most revered winegrowing regions, our 2019 Appellation Series wines showcase what can be achieved from iconic sites in an exceptional vintage. Intricately structured with soaring flavors, this is a vintage not to miss.

There are many differences between vineyards in this small appellation, but the majority of them do share a common influence – the cooling effect that follows the Russian River inland from the Pacific coast. The resulting fog helps keep nights cool and offers vines a respite from daytime temperatures. In turn, these diurnal temperature swings slow down ripening and promote more evolved flavors in our grapes.

Over the years, we've been fortunate to work with many great vineyards that span a diverse and varied view into a region that many would call the heartland of California Pinot Noir. Our goal is to create a wine that showcases the essence of this magical appellation. No matter the vintage, there are often fresh red fruit characteristics, a recognizably full mouthfeel, and texture to the wines from the area - a common thread to the components of this blend.

